

PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS 1/

Commodity	Unit	Virginia			United States			Parity Prices September 2005
		September 2004	August 2005	September 2005	September 2004	August 2005	September 2005	
			-Dollars -			- Dollars -		
Wheat (Winter) 2/	Bu.	2.89	2.73	2.75	3.26	3.16	3.23	10.50
Corn	Bu.	2.25	2.23	2.08	2.20	1.95	1.73	7.02
Barley (All)	Bu.	1.68	1.46	1.58	2.43	2.52	2.60	7.11
Hay, Baled: All 3/	Ton	96.00	92.00	98.00	91.40	99.70	99.00	—
Alfalfa 3/	Ton	113.00	115.00	125.00	97.50	109.00	107.00	—
Other 3/	Ton	93.00	88.00	94.00	74.30	74.80	74.60	—
All Tobacco	Cwt.	188.00	--		189.50	—	—	—
Peanuts	Lb.	--	--		.192	.169	.176	.660
Soybeans	Bu.	5.61	5.89	5.50	5.83	6.15	5.41	17.00
Apples, For Fresh Use	Lb.	.280	--	.300	.268	.202	.288	.551
Potatoes	Cwt.	--	--		5.32	6.84	6.40	15.80
Beef Cattle	Cwt.	89.90	88.10	90.20	85.90	84.50	87.50	182.00
Cows	Cwt.	47.10	50.40	48.30	53.10	51.30	50.40	—
Steers and Heifers	Cwt.	102.00	105.00	102.00	89.50	87.80	91.30	—
Calves	Cwt.	114.00	118.00	119.00	128.00	131.00	133.00	247.00
Hogs (All)	Cwt.	7/	7/	7/	54.80	51.00	48.80	113.00
Milk: All, Wholesale 4/ 8/	Cwt.	16.90	16.60	16.20	15.50	14.80	15.10	37.20
Fluid Consumption 8/	Cwt.	16.90	16.60	16.20	15.50	14.80	15.10	—
Manufacture 8/	Cwt.	7/	7/	7/	14.70	13.80	14.30	—
Market Eggs 3/ 5/	Doz.	.420	.380	.490	.353	.258	.465	1.77
Broilers, Live 6/	Lb.	7/	7/	7/	.400	.440	.460	—
Turkeys, Live 3/ 6/	Lb.	7/	7/	7/	.462	.469	.507	1.070

-- No sales indicated. 1/ Current month prices are mid-month prices, other months are entire month prices except where noted. 2/ Parity price is for All Wheat. 3/ All prices are mid-month. 4/ Before deductions for hauling and govt. withholding, but includes bulk tank, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies. 5/ Includes eggs sold retail by the producer. 6/ Equivalent liveweight returns to producers for most states. 7/ Discontinued. 8/ Fat test percent: all milk 3.61 fluid, milk 3.60, mfg. grade 3.79.

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VIRGINIA’S ROW CROP YIELDS DOWN FROM 2004

Based on conditions as of October 1, Virginia producers expect row crops to have lower yields compared to last year. Corn yields are forecast to average 124 bushels per acre, down 14 percent from last year’s 145 bushels per acre. If realized, production would be 44.6 million bushels down 14 percent from last year. Producers expect to harvest 360,000 acres in 2005, unchanged from last year.

Cotton producers currently expect to harvest 92,000 acres with an average yield of 704 pounds per acre. Production is expected to total 135,000 bales, down 16 percent from last year.

Virginia’s soybean yields are expected to be 30 bushels per acre which is 23 percent lower than last year. Production is estimated at 15.6 million bushels, down 25 percent from 2004. Harvested acres is at 520,000, is down 10,000 acres from last year.

The forecasted peanut yield of 2,800 pounds per acre is down 14 percent from 2004. Production is forecast at 61.6 million pounds, down 41 percent from last year. Harvesting activities have begun with 33 percent of the crop combined.

Alfalfa hay production is expected to be down 16 percent from last year to 370,000 tons. The forecasted yield for other hay is 2.4 tons per acre. Other hay production is forecast at 2.86 million tons, up slightly from 2004.

Flue-cured tobacco yield is forecast at 2,450 pounds per acre, down 55 pounds from 2004. Production is estimated to be 34.3 million pounds, down 41 percent from last year.

Fire-cured tobacco yield is forecast at 2,250 pounds, up 355 pounds from the 2004 estimate. If realized, production would total 788 thousand pounds, down 41 percent from last year.

Burley tobacco producers expect to average a yield of 1,700 pounds per acre from 2,700 acres. Production is forecast at 4.6 million pounds, down nearly 3.61 million pounds from last year.

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ACREAGE, YIELD, AND PRODUCTION OF PRINCIPAL CROPS, OCTOBER 2003-2005													
Crop	Acres Planted			Acres For Harvest			Yield Per Acre			Unit	Production		
	2003	2004	2005	2003	2004	2005	2003	2004	2005		2003	2004	2005
	-Thousand Acres-			-Thousand Acres-							-Thousand Units-		
Corn For Grain	470	500	490	330	360	360	115	145	124	Bu.	37,950	52,200	44,640
Cotton, Upland 1/	89.0	82.0	93.0	85.0	81.0	92.0	674	956	704	Bales	119.4	161.4	135.0
Alfalfa Hay	---	---	---	130	110	100	3.50	4.00	3.70	Tons	455	440	370
Other Hay	---	---	---	1,150	1,180	1,190	2.60	2.40	2.40	Tons	2,990	2,832	2,856
Peanuts	34.0	33.0	23.0	33.0	32.0	22.0	2,900	3,250	2,800	Lbs.	95,700	104,000	61,600
Soybeans	500	540	530	480	530	520	34.0	39.0	30.0	Bu.	16,320	20,670	15,600
Potatoes	7.0	6.0	5.0	6.2	5.0	4.9	250	240	230	Cwt.	1,550	1,200	1,127
Tobacco 2/	---	---	---	25.1	29.68	17.05	1,546	2,267	2,327	Lbs.	38,818	67,285	39,678
Flue-Cured Tobacco	---	---	---	18.0	23.0	14.0	1,690	2,505	2,450	Lbs.	30,420	57,615	34,300
Burley Tobacco	---	---	---	6.5	5.9	2.7	1,150	1,390	1,700	Lbs.	7,475	8,201	4,590
Fire-Cured Tobacco 3/	---	---	---	.6	.7	.4	1,525	1,895	2,250	Lbs.	839	1,345	788
Sun-Cured Tobacco 4/	---	---	---	.06	.07	---	1,400	1,770	---	Lbs.	84	124	---
Apples	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	Lbs.	270.0	300.0	300.0

1/ Cotton yield in pounds, production in 480 pound net weight bales.
2/ Includes all types.
3/ Harvested acres rounded to nearest 100.
4/ No Sun-cured tobacco is expected to be harvested in 2005.

GRAIN STOCKS: BY POSITION, MONTH, UNITED STATES, 2004-2005 1/						
	2004			2005		
	On Farms	Off Farms	Total All	On Farms	Off Farms	Total All
	-1,000 bushels-	-1,000 bushels-	-1,000 bushels-	-1,000 bushels-	-1,000 bushels-	-1,000 bushels-
	Corn					
Mar 1	3,030,000	2,241,459	5,271,459	4,137,000	2,618,261	6,755,261
Jun 1	1,540,000	1,430,140	2,970,140	2,462,300	1,857,482	4,319,782
Sep 1	438,000	520,091	958,091	820,500	1,291,734	2,112,234
Dec 1	6,144,000	3,306,598	9,450,598			
	Oats					
Mar 1	45,600	49,414	95,014	43,500	38,946	82,446
Jun 1	27,500	37,348	64,848	25,350	32,592	57,942
Sep 1	74,300	41,458	115,758	71,200	41,843	113,043
Dec 1	60,400	44,513	104,913			
	Barley					
Mar 1	51,700	101,186	152,886	79,680	111,001	190,681
Jun 1	28,320	91,988	120,308	41,100	87,317	128,417
Sep 1	175,300	114,777	290,077	137,400	113,911	251,311
Dec 1	130,700	115,276	245,976			
	All Wheat					
Mar 1	257,890	762,727	1,020,617	304,710	679,681	984,391
Jun 1	131,880	414,559	546,439	161,275	378,825	540,100
Sep 1	790,600	1,147,807	1,938,407	719,360	1,199,274	1,918,634
Dec 1	531,020	899,306	1,430,326			
	Soybeans					
Mar 1	355,900	549,947	905,847	795,000	586,364	1,381,364
Jun 1	110,000	300,604	410,604	356,100	343,174	699,274
Sep 1	29,400	83,014	112,414	99,700	155,807	255,507
Dec 1	1,300,000	1,004,640	2,304,640			

1/ Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals, and processors.

SMALL GRAINS, SEPTEMBER 2005

Crop	Units	Planted		Acres For Harvest		Yield		Production	
		2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005
		-1,000 Acres-		-1,000 Acres-					
Oats 1/	bu.	---	14	---	3	---	61.0	---	183
Barley	bu.	55	60	40	45	74.0	87.0	2,960	3,915
Winter Wheat	bu.	210	180	180	160	55.0	63.0	9,900	10,080

N/A Not available. 1/ Oat estimates began in 2005.